

Study Session Minutes
Selah City Council
May 22, 2018
4:00pm

Mayor Raymond opened the Study Session.

Public Works Director Henne approached the podium and addressed the Council. He spoke briefly about the analysis they conducted regarding water usage for apartments versus single family residences, referring Council to their packets. He added that they also decided to look at the commercial rates, finding a gap between the two current categories and that they would like to include a third to cover that gap.

Ted Pooler from HLA approached the podium and addressed the Council. He discussed the information provided on residential water consumption, starting with the difference between single family and apartment usage, of which apartments use approximately seventy percent less per month, then moved onto fixed and flow based sewer rates, the differences in commercial categories, and why they wish to add a third category.

Discussion included increasing apartment rates versus single family rates, the need to increase rates due to maintenance and new additions to the water system and the sewer system, metered flow from industrial clients, and why water usage is roughly the same as sewer usage.

The Study Session adjourned at 5:23pm.

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Council Minutes
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Regular Meeting
Selah Council Chambers
115 West Naches Avenue
Selah, WA 98942

A. Call to Order Mayor Raymond called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

B. Roll Call

Members Present: John Tierney; Roger Bell; Russell Carlson; Diane Underwood; Jeremie Dufault; Jacquie Matson; Rachael Glaspie

Members Absent:

Staff Present: Donald Wayman, City Administrator; Robert Noe, City Attorney; Dale Novobielski, Clerk/Treasurer; Gary Hanna, Fire Chief; Jim Lange, Deputy Fire Chief; Rick Hayes, Police Chief; Joe Henne, Public Works Director; Ty Jones, Public Works Utility Supervisor; Jeff Peters, Community Development Supervisor; Treesa Morales, Recreation Manager; Bree Tait, Civic Center Manager; Andrew Potter, Human Resources Manager; Monica Lake, Executive Assistant

C. Councilmember Absence – Motion to Excuse **None**

D. Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Bell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

E. Invocation

Human Resources Manager Potter gave the prayer.

F. Agenda Changes **None**

G. Public Appearances/Introductions/ Presentations **None**

H. Getting To Know Our Businesses **None**

I. Communications

1. Oral

Mayor Raymond opened the meeting.

Community Development Supervisor Peters addressed L – 1. He stated that this is a closed record public hearing, and only those who attended the open record hearing may reiterate comments from the open record hearing. He noted that all minutes from said meeting were in the packet, and advised Council that now is the time to disclose any ex parte contact they may have had with the public, the applicants, or any applicant representatives.

Council Member Carlson recused himself on the basis of friendship with the COO and the architect.

Community Development Supervisor Peters said that the purpose of the hearing is to consider the Planning Commission's recommendation regarding the nonconforming use review application. He briefly reviewed the information provided in the packet, adding that the Planning Commission conducted an open record hearing on April 17, 2018, and are recommending approval subject to ten conditions as listed. He remarked that they found the new facility to be in the public's interest, compatible with the existing facility, and meeting the criteria for nonconforming land use. He added that staff recommends that they hold a closed record hearing and adopt the Planning Commission's findings.

Mayor Raymond opened the closed record hearing.

Jeremy Beus approached the podium and addressed the Council. He thanked the Council for the opportunity to speak and say a bit about their program, commenting that he went into detail at the last hearing but would love to answer any questions that may arise. He went on to say that they have worked closely with Yakima Valley School to develop a program plan for approval and spoke on the various measures they would be taking to address safety concerns, such as secure transport for patients.

Council Member Dufault inquired about the profile of their patients.

Mr. Beus replied that they would have been determined to be dangerous to themselves, potentially a threat or harm to others, or have the inability to care for themselves, saying that in many cases a patient might have a mental illness that prevents them from taking care of their basic needs. He noted that most clients would be that or be a danger to themselves.

Council Member Dufault wondered how they identify individuals for the program.

Mr. Beus responded that they are identified through mental health professionals, a citizen calling the crisis line and asking for an evaluation, or through the emergency room.

Council Member Dufault asked if there would be any suspected of committing crimes.

Mr. Beus answered that it isn't a criteria for coming in, adding that if a police officer is the first contact for a misdemeanor they may go through the process and have an evaluation, although if the individual is arrested or has pending charges they aren't eligible.

Council Member Glaspie inquired about past violence or something similar.

Mr. Beus replied that they don't always know that. They do a background with what they do know to determine if the individual is appropriate for their facility, and if they have a history of harming people

that is definitely a consideration but not a rule out, although they don't always know that information in a crisis situation.

Council Member Tierney asked for confirmation that they would not be taking anyone arrested on either a misdemeanor or a felony.

Mr. Beus responded that individuals being charged would go to a jail, not transfer into their program, explaining that if an officer finds someone who needs treatment services that individual could be evaluated by a mental health professional and referred to their program.

Council Member Glaspie wondered how common it would be for an officer to bring someone to them, given that the treatment center would be servicing other counties as well.

Mr. Beus answered that the officer can't place someone on their own, but would need to have that person evaluated by a mental health professional. He stated that there are three criteria that have to be determined to be caused by mental illness, and if the professional determines that's the case they refer the individual to facility like theirs. He noted that is not the usual way they receive patients.

Council Member Glaspie inquired as to the regular way they receive them.

Mr. Beus replied that it would be through an emergency room or a family member calling with a concern about mental illness, and that most times the person would go to an emergency room to be evaluated by a doctor and a mental health professional.

Council Member Tierney asked if the secure transport would be sally porting into the facility, as some citizen concerns are about the potential of a patient escaping.

Mr. Beus responded that secure transport doesn't end until the patient is in the closed and locked portion of their facility, and the person would be on a gurney, handcuffed on a wheelchair, or something similar.

Council Member Underwood felt it was a good idea, as there need to be places for temporary and short term mental health. She went on to say that her one concern is with the security, and wondered if they had thought about a gate that could only be opened by someone within the facility.

Mr. Beus answered that they considered many options, including that one, and ultimately decided on secure transport into the facility, where their staff is trained to deal with people who escalate their behavior and entry is given via escort by a staff member. He added that Yakima Valley School has a philosophy like theirs, to create facilities that are less institutional.

Council Member Glaspie requested that he expand on the kind of staffing they would be looking for with regard to the approximately forty employees they would be hiring, expressing her concern that there are an insufficient number of trained people available to hire within the area.

Mr. Beus replied that they would be utilizing a similar program to one done in the past, where people are hired and trained within a four month period, saying that they wouldn't be opening for almost a year

from now, which would provide them with ample time to hire and train staff, both at another facility with the same program and hands on training here.

Council Member Glaspie inquired about the credentials for the staff.

Mr. Beus responded that they would have a psychiatrist, a nurse practitioner, five therapists, and a program director with a master's degree, and that most of the line staff would be bachelor level.

Mayor Raymond wondered how many they would have at one time.

Mr. Beus answered that they could have a total of sixteen residents, and the minimum staffing level, at night, would be two nurses and four mental health workers. He added that they have on call after hours for all facilities that could be called in, and that every program has the ability to call in additional staff if they anticipate intake in the middle of the night.

Mayor Raymond asked if they know an individual's history when they come in.

Mr. Beus replied that they know as much as possible.

Council Member Tierney inquired where people are going now.

Mr. Beus responded that there is another local program that takes individuals who have been detained for mental services, a sixteen bed facility called Bridges in Yakima, along with a variety of programs around the state.

Council Member Tierney requested information on the location of Bridges.

Mr. Beus answered that it is in Yakima on Fourth.

Council Member Tierney wondered if they are intending to close Bridges.

Mr. Beus replied in the negative, saying that they are running at capacity year round and turning people away.

City Administrator Wayman inquired what would happen if both their facility and Bridges were full and they had new clients coming in.

Mr. Beus responded that it's the responsibility of the mental health professional to find a facility.

City Administrator Wayman asked if they would ever go over the sixteen patient limit.

Mr. Beus replied in the negative.

Council Member Bell commented that a number of residents who responded negatively said that it isn't rare for people to walk away or escape from a facility where they are being treated.

Mr. Beus responded that he can only speak to the type of clientele they receive, and that while some programs, such as the one at Western, allow for a furlough or a pass onto the grounds, they don't provide that service. He went on to say that Western also does long term service with less secure or no option to go anywhere else, and also have those who serve time due to mental illness, while Bridges typically has a length of time around ten to eleven days for their patients. He added that their discharge policy is to discharge patients back to the community they came from or to another facility, not where their facility is located.

Council Member Bell remarked that the other concern was a decrease in property values.

Mr. Beus answered that, while Bridges is not in a residential area, the property values have improved, and he anticipates that six months after his facility opens no one will know it exists, given what is already happening at Yakima Valley School.

Council Member Glaspie inquired about the impact on local first responders if someone injures themselves or others.

Mr. Beus said that, going back to the Bridges model, they've been open for three years and had responders less than five times over that period. He went on to say that most of those calls shouldn't have happened, and he feels that training people through that will minimize it happening here although he would be lying to say it wouldn't happen at all. He state that they would work with Police and Fire on what responses would look like but are anticipating minimal impact.

Council Member Dufault asked about instances of clients leaving without discharge from Bridges.

Mr. Beus replied that they had someone jump over the courtyard get out, but their facility would have a second level locked courtyard with no way to leave like that.

Council Member Glaspie wondered if he had taken into account the distance from parks and schools.

Mr. Beus responded in the affirmative, adding that they also addressed the other residents living in the facility, working hard with Yakima Valley School to create processes where they don't have people interacting. He state that those safety concerns are a protocol put in place for everybody, with everyone treated the same, and it's not a step down process because of the short term nature of program.

Council Member Dufault inquired as to the maximum number of days the program will allow someone to stay at the facility.

Mr. Beus answered that they have no set maximum, but the average would be roughly eleven days.

Council Member Dufault asked if it was possible for him to estimate the number of times a client has stayed beyond thirty days at Bridges.

Mr. Beus replied that, while he knows it is very rare, he doesn't have a number.

Community Development Supervisor Peters requested that he review the process for discharge.

Mr. Beus explained that most patients come through a court order, and that to keep them in the facility they would need to go before a judge every fourteen days to extend the stay. He went on to say that the vast majority are discharged back into their community or home, with a follow-up appointment with a mental health provider, as part of their process is to work with the professional in their community.

City Administrator Wayman wondered what would happen to an indigent person from outside our county upon discharge.

Mr. Beus responded that they would be working with the mental health professional who detained them.

City Administrator Wayman asked if that person would ever be discharged into Selah.

Mr. Beus answered in the negative.

Council Member Tierney noted that would be unless they come from Selah.

Mr. Beus agreed with his statement.

Council Member Glaspie inquired as to the average age of someone admitted.

Mr. Beus replied that they would be eighteen or older.

Council Member Glaspie wondered if there was co-mingling.

Mr. Beus responded in the affirmative, saying that it's part of the intake process as some are shared rooms although they wouldn't have males and females in the same room. He added that, although he couldn't provide demographics for it, the average age ranges from thirty to forty years old.

Council Member Dufault asked if they screened for a criminal background or sexual misconduct.

Mr. Beus answered that they ask the mental health professional for as much information as they can get.

Council Member Dufault inquired if they screen for registered sex offenders.

Mr. Beus replied that it isn't one of the screening questions and they won't always know that.

Council Member Underwood wondered if the rooms were going to be safety rooms where they couldn't hang themselves.

Mr. Beus answered that they have been working with an architect to create an environment to minimize that as much as possible, and that part of the safety process is staff is doing checks every fifteen minutes.

Council Member Glaspie remarked that it sounds to her that they aren't getting a lot of information on patient background or tendencies, especially given the proximity to Volunteer Park, three schools, and a residential neighborhood.

Mr. Beus commented that most are unable to care for themselves.

Council Member Glaspie felt that they were talking more along the lines of incarcerated people not someone struggling to maintain their faculties.

Mr. Beus replied that a lot of the people they serve are people with a mental illness that creates a great amount of confusion.

Council Member Glaspie asked how often they get a repeat customer.

Mr. Beus responded that he thought Bridges had a total of four hundred people go through in the last year, of which thirty came back within six months.

Mayor Raymond remarked that it sounds like a safe, secure situation.

Mr. Beus told her that they have redundant locks, with both a keypad and a swipe card or key required.

Council Member Dufault inquired about security for the recreation area.

Mr. Beus answered that the wall is built up ten feet with a covering, and surrounding it is essentially a screen used to allow air to flow.

Council Member Dufault restated that the walls are ten feet off the ground, with additional security.

Mr. Beus agreed with his remark.

Council Member Glaspie wondered if they were supervised out when out there.

Mr. Beus responded in the affirmative, saying that they are by video and person

Council Member Dufault asked if they know the identity of someone being admitted.

Mr. Beus answered that they always know the individual's identity, and as much else as possible.

Council Member Dufault remarked that, while it's not his place to suggest programming, he would personally feel more comfortable knowing that at some point in the future they were screening for sex offender registration requirement and that those people not be allowed near schools or parks, as an extra layer of precaution beyond the secure transport, facility, and recreation area.

Council Member Tierney wondered if there were there others who would like to address Council.

Ms. Petrea approached the podium and addressed the Council. Her comments were stricken from the record at the request of City Attorney Noe, who said that, as she did not provide testimony at the previous open record hearing, she cannot testify at the closed record hearing.

Community Development Supervisor Peters remarked that there were people who iterated similar comments to Ms. Petrea who are on the record.

Ms. Smith asked if she could ask questions.

Mayor Raymond responded in the negative. She then closed the closed record hearing.

2. Public meeting to consider the Final Plat of Selah Vista Phase 1

Community Development Supervisor Peters addressed L – 2. He said that this was for the final plat of Selah Vista Phase 1, presented by Mr. Weiss for approval, which has been reviewed by the Planning and Public Works departments. He went on to say that the necessary financial securities have been provided to allow the Planned Development to be recorded and that he recommends approval authorizing the Mayor to sign the final plat.

Council Member Tierney moved, and Council Member Dufault seconded, to approve the Resolution approving the Final Plat of “Selah Vista Phase 1” and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Final Plat. Roll was called: Council Member Tierney – yes; Council Member Bell – yes; Council Member Carlson – yes; Council Member Underwood – yes; Council Member Dufault – yes; Council Member Glaspie – yes; Council Member Matson – yes. By voice vote, approval was unanimous.

3. Public Hearing to Consider the Resolution adopting the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program for Secondary and Arterial Streets within the City of Selah for the years 2019 to 2024

Public Works Director Henne addressed L – 3. He referred Council to the list of projects included in their packet; briefly reviewing the items listed, and requested that they hold a public hearing for testimony for and against the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Mayor Raymond opened the hearing.

Human Resources Manager Potter approached the podium and addressed the Council. He said that he would like to make a brief personal comment on the matter, saying that he bikes along Third Street four to six times a day and believes that item number two on the list is an important development for that area, given that there are a lot of children who walk in the area without the benefit of sidewalks. He encouraged Council to consider that and also asked whether there was right of way to put in new or widened sidewalks and streets from Fremont Avenue towards the school when the new facility gets developed. He acknowledged that it wasn't in the TIP but felt Council should ask about that at the appropriate time.

Council Member Carlson commented that, even though the items are listed as one through fourteen, the numbering isn't necessarily in order of priority.

Public Works Director Henne disagreed, saying that it is, and that while Council can shift items around on the list the intent is to follow the priorities.

Council Member Carlson responded that he was just saying that number one starts in 2019 and number two in 2023, yet they are still listing number two as the second priority.

Public Works Director Henne answered that it has been funded, but because of financial delays through Congress they have only received funding for the design up to this point, not the actual construction.

Council Member Bell inquired if numbers three and fourteen would become a project ahead of the SEPA for the new school.

Public Works Director Henne responded in the negative, saying that the school will probably be able to move forward and he would know the outcome of the application package around September. He added that he has talked with their architect, and he's hesitant about coming in with anything yet.

Mayor Raymond closed the hearing.

M. General Business

1. New Business

Council Member Bell said that he would like to propose that Council consider a resolution in support of the Selah aquatic center as currently designed by the Selah Park & Recreation Service Area Board (SPRSA) and their architect, adding that they have seen the architect's rendering of what the center will look like, with one tank of water that has narrow pathways and a pool house.

Council Member Glaspie noted that it would be one body of water at one temperature.

Council Member Carlson asked what resolution he was proposing.

Council Member Bell answered that it would be a resolution to support the building of the aquatic center in the community, not to support the levy, as they have taken a stand as a body not to support a tax measure when they have no control over how the money spent.

City Administrator Wayman said that the pool design handed out by Council Member Bell fits within the parameters Council prescribed for the SPRSA, and is under budget. He noted that they had submitted numbers for the board's review for the M&O levy and that from a staff perspective this works and would not conflict with the guidance Council has given.

Council Member Underwood asked if this was the same orientation as the current pool.

Council Member Glaspie responded in the affirmative.

Council Member Bell added that it's the same configuration as the current bathhouse and pool.

Council Member Glaspie noted that the lanes run the opposite direction to the current pool, which she was told was better.

City Administrator Wayman recommended that staff craft a resolution for the next meeting.

Mayor Raymond polled the Council then stated that they would vote on a resolution at the next meeting.

2. Old Business **None**

N. Resolutions

1. Resolution Approving a Nonconforming Use/Class 3 Review application presented by Comprehensive Healthcare on behalf of the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, Yakima Valley School to accommodate an Adult Residential Treatment Facility (RTF) to treat mental health disorders

Community Development Supervisor Peters addressed N – 1. He said that this is the resolution for approving the Class 3 review application, saying that the Planning Commission heard a lot of testimony from the applicant and members of public and considered all the elements they heard, which led to the inclusion of conditions two and three to insure that there was an operation plan that fit within the confines of the application and what the applicant had told them. He went on to say that the City has the right to revoke those permissions if they are found to be in violation, and although the Planning Commissions didn't see fit to tell them their business, they understand that Yakima Valley School is very much involved in this. He finished by saying that the application meets all criteria for approval of a nonconforming use application.

Council Member Tierney remarked that condition seven says that lighting is to be installed to reflect away from adjoining areas, but he was concerned about light pollution in general, and that lighting should be of a design that does not reflect into the atmosphere.

Community Development Supervisor Peters responded that he understands the concern, but Selah doesn't have a dark sky ordinance and the language comes from the code for parking lot lighting.

Council Member Tierney asked if there was nothing that could be done about preserving the dark sky.

Community Development Supervisor Peters answered that nothing in the code currently deals with that.

City Administrator Wayman commented that staff could study the matter and bring something back to Council, perhaps discuss it at the retreat. He added that there have been complaints about light pollution in some of the newer subdivisions, and that the bright streetlights may be doing their jobs too well. He recommended that this be a discussion point at retreat to allow time to gather information regarding costs and feasibility.

Council Member Tierney noted that he thinks the Goldendale is the closest community to Selah who is doing anything about the matter.

Council Member Dufault expressed his appreciation for the work done on this, adding that he personally would like to see a condition added that part of the intake process involves running a background check

at state and national levels against the registered sex offender list, and if someone is on that list not to allow them at the facility.

Council Member Glaspie seconded his remark, saying that her biggest heartburn is that they aren't getting a lot of information on the patients take in, and they are taking in other counties' patients as well in a facility close to schools.

Community Development Supervisor Peters responded that he can't speak for the applicant, but procedurally a Council Member could make a motion to include that as a condition. He suggested that they ask the applicant if he would be willing and able to voluntarily do that.

Council Member Tierney stated that one would have to be a law enforcement agency or a court to receive that information.

Council Member Glaspie commented that she has a full background check done every two years for her license.

City Attorney Noe said that he isn't familiar with which databases are available for checking on registered sex offenders.

Council Member Tierney remarked that they can go to the County to look at the County record, but as far as nationally they would need to have a CHRI number to look at criminal history.

Council Member Glaspie disagreed, saying that there are ways to do that.

Council Member Tierney responded that there isn't legally.

Council Member Dufault said that his conception was a specified data base at that level, not getting to criminal history, and that he hopes Comprehensive would take it on their initiative to run names through the two databases for registered sex offenders.

Council Member Tierney inquired if he would be satisfied with the county list from with Sheriff's office where the individual came from for the sex offenders' registry.

Council Member Dufault responded in the negative, saying that he would want state and national on the sex offender registry, as his understanding is that it exists separately from the more comprehensive system Council Member Tierney had mentioned.

Community Development Supervisor Peters noted that the operations plan would address some of those issues, and it doesn't have to be a separate condition of approval.

Council Member Dufault requested an explanation.

Community Development Supervisor Peters answered that they have city staff who will review the operational plan, and they can insure that is included as a part of operational plan unless Council wants to make it a specific condition of approval and applicant wants to volunteer to do that.

Council Member Dufault moved to add as a condition of approval that the applicant includes in their intake procedure running a check of all individuals on the state and national sex offender registry, and that any individuals who are any level sex offender are not allowed into this program.

Community Development Supervisor Peters suggested letting the applicant speak before getting a second on the motion.

Mr. Beus said that he understands their concern, but would state that this is a crisis service, and he sees it as problematic to get information ahead of time or to run something like that as a part of their practice. He went on to say that it's not done in other facilities, and that they treat patients much like an ER, treating the need and then allowing them to move on and address the concerns patients have outside of that, and that it kind of goes against the treatment philosophy of treating the illness and need coming in the door. He added that he also isn't familiar with the process for running background checks, expressing his concern at how that could delay someone getting treatment.

Council Member Dufault responded that he would amend his motion to allow them forty-eight hours to address the urgent need and take care of an individual on the registry, but when minimally stabilized that individual could then be transferred to another facility.

Mr. Beus remarked that they don't want to send someone out if they can't find another facility to take them, adding that this is not a long term facility and rare for someone to be there beyond fourteen days.

Council Member Dufault said that he appreciates and is sympathetic to their approach, but from his side of the table they are looking at the other members of the community. He asked what a reasonable window of time would be to run a check, adding that he wouldn't want longer than seventy-two hours.

Mr. Beus answered that their standard is seventy-two hours before going to court, and felt that would make the most sense if they had to look at something like that.

Council Member Underwood commented that she had a sex offender living one block from her, and she would feel safer knowing they were behind locked doors compared to living down the street.

Council Member Glaspie pointed out that they have a radius where they can't be near parks and schools.

Mr. Beus informed her that it doesn't always apply to visiting a home or a parent, and a short term visit, usually considered less than fourteen days, isn't under that same restriction.

Council Member Dufault appreciated Council Member Underwood's point but reiterated that it was still something of concern to him and he would prefer to be on the conservative side of things.

Council Member Underwood commented that is why she liked the secured facility and fence.

Council Member Tierney remarked that it's designed as a secure facility with safeguards in place, and that he feels they are overlooking that it is a medical facility. He felt it would be nice to know if a patient was a sex offender but didn't think it possible to have that information in such a limited amount of time.

Mayor Raymond agreed with him, adding that the facility wouldn't let them have access to the other patients housed there.

Council Member Tierney noted that it's been a hospital since 1949.

Council Member Dufault said that a Class 3 review is before them today, and as a condition to that he wants to go out in the community and tell them they haven't introduced any sex offenders into Selah.

Council Member Tierney felt he was overlooking that they are being introduced into the hospital in a secure environment, locked inside a secure facility and not a resident.

Council Member Dufault reiterated his concerns about sex predators in that building.

Council Member Tierney pointed out that he doesn't know the level one or two sex offenders in his neighborhood.

Mr. Beus said that he would want his staff to know whatever is necessary and train them to address them regardless of who the client is.

Council Member Dufault moved to add a condition of approval that they require a national and a state sex offender registry search, and if a sex predator is determined, someone that's on that registry is identified that they not be allowed to remain in the facility beyond seventy-two hours.

Council Member Bell inquired of the City Attorney if they could restrict where a sex offender is.

City Attorney Noe replied that while there are restrictions on where they can live and areas they have to avoid, whether a temporary stay constitutes living somewhere would need to be researched.

Council Member Glaspie commented that they have to register if in a transient state as well.

Council Member Glaspie seconded the motion. Roll was called: Council Member Tierney – no; Council Member Bell – no; Council Member Carlson – abstain; Council Member Underwood – abstain; Council Member Dufault – yes; Council Member Glaspie – yes; Council Member Matson – no. Motion failed with two yes votes, three no votes, and two abstentions.

Council Member Tierney moved to approve the Resolution Approving a Nonconforming Use/Class 3 Review application presented by Comprehensive Healthcare on behalf of the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services, Yakima Valley School to accommodate an Adult Residential Treatment Facility (RTF) to treat mental health disorders.

Council Member Underwood asked if City Attorney Noe could come back with more information at the next meeting, as she doesn't like voting on something she isn't knowledgeable on.

City Attorney Noe responded that he believed that motion failed.

Council Member Bell seconded the motion. Roll was called: Council Member Tierney – yes; Council Member Bell – yes; Council Member Carlson – abstain; Council Member Underwood – abstain; Council Member Dufault – no; Council Member Glaspie – no; Council Member Matson – abstain. Mayor Raymond cast a tiebreaker vote in favor of approval. Motion passed with three yes votes, two no votes, and three abstentions.

2. Resolution approving the Final Plat of “Selah Vista Phase 1” and Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Final Plat

Community Development Supervisor Peters addressed N – 2. He reminded Council that they already voted to approve this Resolution earlier in the meeting.

3. Resolution adopting the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program for Secondary and Collector Arterial Streets within the City of Selah for the years 2019 to 2024

Public Works Director Henne addressed N – 3. He asked Council to approve the Resolution.

Council Member Tierney moved, and Council Member Dufault seconded, to approve the Resolution adopting the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program for Secondary and Collector Arterial Streets within the City of Selah for the years 2019 to 2024. Roll was called: Council Member Tierney – yes; Council Member Bell – yes; Council Member Carlson – yes; Council Member Underwood – yes; Council Member Dufault – yes; Council Member Glaspie – yes; Council Member Matson – yes. By voice vote, approval was unanimous.

4. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign Task Order 2018-03 between the City of Selah and HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc. to provide consultant services for the Goodlander Zone 5 Booster Pump Station Rebuild

Public Works Director Henne addressed N – 4. He said that they are moving along with the project, and he brought a task order for HLA to confirm their services for construction, design and inspection.

Council Member Tierney moved, and Council Member Bell seconded, to approve the Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign Task Order 2018-03 between the City of Selah and HLA Engineering and Land Surveying, Inc. to provide consultant services for the Goodlander Zone 5 Booster Pump Station Rebuild.

Council Member Matson commented that the HLA task order is a third of the bid for replacement.

Public Works Director Henne responded that there is a lot of telemetry programming going into this, as they increased the pump from twenty-five to fifty horsepower with a variable frequency drive system.

Council Member Matson asked if that included design.

Public Works Director Henne replied in the affirmative, saying that they added the ability to put a generator on it, an automatic transfer switch, and a sensor to know when the power goes out.

City Administrator Wayman remarked that it would be a far more complex and better system than it had been before, with the variable frequency drive, thus requiring more engineering.

Public Works Director Henne noted that they went from a wood frame to a C and D building as well.

Council Member Underwood wondered if they would try to recoup some of costs from the new homes being built.

Public Works Director Henne responded that they have to keep track of conditional capacity improvements but he has been in discussions with property owners east of the existing reservoirs and looking at passing some expense onto them.

City Administrator Wayman commented that they have capacity for about one hundred five units before needing another reservoir, and that any infrastructure added would be paid for by the developer.

Public Works Director Henne opined that it made more sense to do an upgrade now rather than waiting until new development required the upgrade.

City Administrator Wayman stated that they could count on more development up there.

Council Member Glaspie inquired about a re-evaluation of the insurance amount.

Public Works Director Henne replied in the affirmative.

Council Member Glaspie added that they need to be at replacement cost.

Council Member Dufault expressed his support for the motion, but felt that Council Member Matson's point is well taken in that they had three bids for actual construction but a no bid contract with HLA. He suggested that in the future they consider getting bids from other land and engineering surveyors. He also expressed disappointment that the construction costs came in twenty-two percent higher than the original bid as well.

Public Works Director Henne explained that the City does a three year municipal engineering contract with HLA, and that these fees are based on that contract. He added that they are currently paying three thousand dollars a month for the temporary pump, and went on to say that all engineering consultants are considered professionals and Washington State doesn't let you shop prices for engineers.

Council Member Dufault remarked that he liked the first point but not the second one.

Public Works Director Henne responded that he got his ears boxed several years ago on that.

Community Development Supervisor Peters pointed out that Council approved an emergency Resolution to authorize the City to move forward on this project.

Council Member Dufault commented that they were authorized then took it to bid; saying that he thought it was done very well.

Public Works Director Henne asked that they approve the Resolution.

Roll was called: Council Member Tierney – yes; Council Member Bell – yes; Council Member Carlson – yes; Council Member Underwood – yes; Council Member Dufault – yes; Council Member Glaspie – yes; Council Member Matson – yes. By voice vote, approval was unanimous.

5. Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a construction contract between the City of Selah and Mountain States Construction Company for the construction of the Goodlander, Zone Five (5) Booster Pump Station

Public Works Director Henne addressed N – 5. He said that this resolution is to sign a construction contract for building the booster pump station, and that the amount is higher due to going out to bid during peak construction startup season. He added that they contacted five contractors but they didn't have time or interest, and it wasn't a good bidding time.

Council Member Carlson asked if they had used Selland Construction before.

Public Works Director Henne replied in the negative but said that they built the build pump house on top and have experience putting these things in. He added that he was flabbergasted the bid came in so high.

Council Member Carlson remarked that he would encourage telling them they are way out of whack with price.

Public Works Director Henne responded that he was surprised they came in that high.

Council Member Bell moved, and Council Member Carlson seconded, to approve the Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a construction contract between the City of Selah and Mountain States Construction Company for the construction of the Goodlander, Zone Five (5) Booster Pump Station. Roll was called: Council Member Tierney – yes; Council Member Bell – yes; Council Member Carlson – yes; Council Member Underwood – yes; Council Member Dufault – yes; Council Member Glaspie – yes; Council Member Matson – yes. By voice vote, approval was unanimous.

6. Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Interlocal Correction / Detention Agreement with the City of Sunnyside for 2018-19

City Attorney Noe addressed N – 6. He said that he is addressing this on behalf of the Police Chief, and who would like Council to consider an interlocal agreement with Sunnyside for jail services, as Wapato has decided to close their jail. He went on to say that the Chief looked at the options available, and Sunnyside offered the same daily rate as Wapato, along with transporting prisoners daily to and from the County jail, and the ability to do teleconferencing. He noted that there was no fiscal impact listed but they would likely be coming back with a budget adjustment.

Council Member Dufault asked if the source of the potential fiscal impact was just the first seven day rate.

City Attorney Noe responded that he doesn't think they would be transporting new bookings all the way down to Sunnyside but instead book them into the County jail.

Council Member Dufault commented that would be a higher rate than Wapato and require a budget adjustment.

Council Member Tierney remarked that he understand if they are convicted in our court they can go to Sunnyside to serve time there.

City Attorney Noe agreed, adding that for short term folks the County is local.

Council Member Dufault wondered if they were already sending folks to Yakima County.

City Attorney Noe replied that they have a contract with the County currently.

Council Member Dufault asked for confirmation that the higher rate would just before the first seven days at Sunnyside.

City Attorney Noe answered in the affirmative, adding that booking into County would also be an increase.

City Administrator Wayman reiterated that it would be both booking into County and increased initial costs for seven days.

Council Member Dufault asked if they were booking in County before as well.

City Administrator Wayman replied in the affirmative, although they also booked them into Wapato.

Council Member Dufault wondered why more people would be booked at the County now.

City Administrator Wayman responded with transportation; they would be at the County for the initial intake then transferred to Sunnyside.

Council Member Dufault inquired if they did that with Wapato.

City Administrator Wayman answered in the negative, saying they went straight to Wapato.

Council Member Underwood asked how many they send on average.

City Attorney Noe replied that when he is in court he sees maybe six in custody.

Police Sergeant Rodriguez said that the Chief's plan was to have Sunnyside only hold inmates who are convicted. Officers would transport them to the County to be booked, and then if they are found guilty Sunnyside has agreed to come up and transport all convicted prisoners to their jail.

Council Member Dufault wondered if they were taken directly to Wapato in the past.

Police Sergeant Rodriguez answered yes, adding that Wapato couldn't handle certain inmates such as convicted felons or those with medical needs.

Council Member Dufault asked what percentage of bookings were transported to County versus Wapato.

Police Sergeant Rodriguez responded that he would say about thirty percent.

Council Member Underwood wondered how many people are picked up monthly, on average.

Police Sergeant Rodriguez replied that for his squad about ten a month, as most are citations for traffic or non-criminal that get cited and released.

Council Member Dufault inquired what the cost is for booking in County.

City Attorney Noe thought it was in the neighborhood of seventy-four dollars.

Police Sergeant Rodriguez said it is between seventy four and ninety, but his concern was whether there would be an additional booking charge at Sunnyside.

Council Member Carlson commented that he had the same question.

City Attorney Noe stated that the contract doesn't provide for an additional booking fee.

Council Member Bell remarked that they were told before that the daily rate at the County was about twice that of Wapato, and that there are significant savings to go down to Sunnyside.

Police Sergeant Rodriguez noted that there is additional savings if officers don't have to provide transport all the way to Sunnyside.

Council Member Dufault thought this was fantastic and thanked both the Mayor and City Administrator for pulling this together so quickly.

City Attorney Noe felt that Police Chief Hayes did a great job in getting this under wraps right away.

City Administrator Wayman commented that other municipalities might not get this.

Council Member Tierney commented that it helps preserve coverage in Selah as well.

Council Member Carlson moved, and Council Member Matson seconded, to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Mayor to Sign the Interlocal Correction / Detention Agreement with the City of Sunnyside for 2018-19. Roll was called: Council Member Tierney – yes; Council Member Bell – yes; Council Member Carlson – yes; Council Member Underwood – yes; Council Member Dufault – yes; Council Member Glaspie – yes; Council Member Matson – yes. By voice vote, approval was unanimous.

O. Ordinances **None**

P. Public Appearances **None**

Q. Reports/Announcements

1. Departments

Human Resources Manager Potter said that initial negotiations have been pushed back because they have to meet schedules, and that he posted a second job online for a full time utility worker, to replace an employee retiring in the near future.

Civic Center Manager Tait had no report.

Public Works Director Henne said that they are cleaning up from Community Days, doing meter readings, and getting back to work on parking lot improvements. He gave a brief report on the State Transportation Commission meeting, saying that he spoke with them about the South First Street entrance and extending Naches Avenue out to I-82 across the river. He added that one thing they did ask was whether they had a transportation benefit district, and the message was clear that if you don't have some sort of a district you aren't concerned about generating revenue.

City Administrator Wayman added or pulling your own weight, a sentiment they didn't appreciate.

Public Works Director Henne asked that they discuss this at the retreat, as it was clear that they would lose points when making an application if they don't have one.

Council Member Dufault asked who told them this.

Public Works Director Henne responded that it was the secretary of WSDOT. He went on to say that when they discussed transit later that day, they were happy to see how Selah has progressed in a few short years and that they are able to pay for the services through sales tax and provide free transit. He noted that when another local transit service came after him they asked if they were free and when told no asked why they didn't just drop the fee.

Community Development Supervisor Peters noted that they did have the East Naches extension brought to them as part of the sub area plan process, and that they realized that maybe a roundabout isn't the right solution but the East Naches connector was going to be necessary in the future.

City Administrator Wayman remarked that they are still wanting the City to pay for their own study; in the past WSDOT would do a traffic study but they are now expecting the municipalities to pay for that. He asked Council to keep in mind as they go forward that the condition has changed.

Council Member Carlson commented that he attended the YVCOG meeting that evening, and his assumption was that they're asking cities to pay for them because cars are becoming more efficient and they are making less money. He noted that they also presented other ways to maintain revenue.

Council Member Dufault opined that WSDOT is chronically out of money, wanting money and wasting money, and that it all strikes him as a little bit off key. He wanted to talk more before progress was made on the situation.

Community Development Supervisor Peters expressed his appreciation that Council has chosen to bring back a resolution for the pool, saying that both he and the City Administrator have spoken with the architect, and he believes it an appropriate step as there are some challenges that they need to work into that resolution. He said that the subarea plan should be available by early June and that he would have either the City Administrator or Public Works Director hand it out during the reports section of that meeting for Council to review see if the consultants captured their thoughts and directions, and note any discrepancies. He spoke briefly about updates to parking standards and land use tables that would come to Council later this year or first part of next year, as well as design standards for roads and Public Works standards that will go to the Planning Commission their first meeting in July.

City Administrator Wayman asked that he address the banner flag issue, as they have been getting pushback from businesses because the City is enforcing code.

Community Development Supervisor Peters said that about four months ago they started to enforce sign ordinances for signs such as sandwich board signs, flag and banner signs, anything that isn't permanently affixed to the ground. He remarked that current ordinance allows one sign per street footage, and if the business has a permanent freestanding sign they don't get temporary signage, but an executive decision was made to allow one sign per street footage in addition to permanent signage. He went on to say that they initially got some pushback, but roughly ninety-five to ninety-eight percent of businesses have complied with the modified sign provisions. He noted that they would be looking at changing the ordinance in the future, and have started with conversation with the Selah Downtown Association and Selah Chamber of Commerce to help develop a vision for what's acceptable.

Council Member Tierney remarked that he does not like pennant signs in any way, shape or form, and one reason being that a fallen one almost went through the grill of his car the other night.

City Administrator Wayman commented that he has been working with the Police Chief on this. Their biggest issue with signs is covering windows at convenience stores and gas stations, where it becomes a security issue making it difficult for an officer to see inside, and that the matter may need to be resolved through a sign ordinance.

Council Member Underwood thought she saw a couple signs like these in front of the Civic Center.

Council Member Glaspie responded that they were for Harvest Church on Sunday.

Recreation Manager Morales said that there are a lot of fun family events coming up, with the 2A State softball tournament at Carlon Park this weekend, starting with a banquet on Thursday at the Civic Center, the upcoming Hot Rods car show and barbecue, and the Fourth of July celebration.

City Administrator Wayman remarked that they would see an ad in the Yakima Herald for the car show, pie cook off and barbecue cook off, and they are expecting a crowded First Street full of beautiful cars.

Clerk/Treasurer Novobielski provided an updated comparative sales tax report for May, saying that they are at approximately eleven thousand more than last year at this time.

City Attorney Noe had no report.

2. Council Members

Council Member Dufault expressed his thanks to everyone who did such a great job on Community Days, and also with the Volunteer Park unveiling. He said that, even though his motion failed, he hoped that staff in negotiating would review the operating procedures for the new facility and express his concerns, adding that he appreciates what both the Yakima Valley School and Comprehensive Mental Health are doing to serve a vulnerable population and his comments were not designed to undermine that mission.

Council Member Matson had no report.

Council Member Glaspie said that the pool is under budget and everything looks good. She suggested that people follow the Selah Aquatic Center Facebook page and noted that the Board is also selling bricks for the pool to be placed in the entryway.

Council Member Tierney said that they held an LTAC meeting on Monday, and now have a representative from the hotel industry on the board. He spoke briefly about the meeting, saying that they approved funding for Hot Rods on First Street, potential funding for the Central Washington softball team if they decide to host a clinic in Selah this year, funding for state tournament softball banquet, and addition money for the 4th of July event.

Council Member Bell remarked that Community Days was great, the parade was fantastic, and he heard very positive comments about the event. He added, as a follow up on the SPRSA board, that the levy amount was established at nineteen point four with a maximum amount of up to three hundred and five thousand dollars for the annual levy, with additional details provided at the Selah Chamber meeting tomorrow.

Council Member Underwood had no report.

Council Member Carlson commended Barb Petrea for her efforts, adding that Gary Green and Ray Roff also put in considerable effort to make Community Days a success. He felt that there is potential for massive growth with the car show and asked that they make sure what the capacity would be.

City Administrator Wayman responded that the overflow contingency is the Civic Center lot, although they have expanded the footprint another block down to Selah Avenue. He noted that if they get numbers like Moxee had it's possible they would turn people away.

Council Member Carlson wondered if they should have a restriction of not more than a certain number of cars.

Council Member Tierney commented that they still have the middle of the street.

City Administrator Wayman remarked that the people who do this can back a car into the skinniest of spots, although he can't guarantee they won't turn people away.

Council Member Carlson thought it might encourage early registration.

3. City Administrator

City Administrator Wayman asked Council if they wanted an LTAC study session to understand the process, or if it could be pushed to the retreat as subject matter. He polled the Council, with the majority in favor of having it at the retreat. He stated that they would add it to the agenda for the retreat. He mentioned that the annual fire hydrant testing is starting this week, and said that he wanted to tell them about the stellar work going on with their staff. He remarked that he is always pleasantly surprised at how quick the turnaround goes in every department and that he is proud of them.

Council Member Tierney reminded everyone that it is fire season.

4. Boards

a. Planning Commission Minutes from May 1, 2018

5. Mayor

Mayor Raymond remarked that they need someone to step up and take on Welcome to Selah sign project.

Council Member Tierney asked if the Selah Downtown Association (SDA) has declined.

Mayor Raymond responded in the negative.

Council Member Carlson said that he would do it with Council Member Dufault.

Mayor Raymond stated that they need someone to touch base with the SDA and find out where they are with it, keeping in mind that they don't need a huge sign.

Council Member Glaspie said that she would be involved.

Council Member Dufault added that he is happy to be involved as well.

Mayor Raymond asked that they keep in mind that it might be difficult to find a place to put it, and that it would likely move. She added that she would like for the sign to be up next year.

Council Member Tierney expressed his appreciation for them volunteering.

Council Member Underwood inquired about the handout they were given.

Mayor Raymond responded that they were all given resolutions about Carlon Park, as it has been a huge deal this week due to a misunderstanding of words. She stated that it would always be Carlon Park, from the ball fields to the tennis courts, and that within there they have ballfields named after different people. She went on to say that the misunderstanding was that the City was removing the Carlon name from the park, saying decisively that they are removing the name of Carlon Park, they simply added Archer Park at Wood Field.

Council Member Underwood asked if there was a sign saying Carlon Park.

Mayor Raymond answered in the affirmative, adding that she had alumni calling to tell her that it has been Carlon field forever.

Council Member Tierney remarked that, in the interest of moving forward on this issue since he was the sole dissenting vote on naming, he would like to move to bring it back for consideration at the next council meeting, for discussion and action.

City Attorney Noe clarified that only someone who voted for it could bring it back.

Council Member Dufault stated that he was happy to do that.

City Administrator Wayman reminded Council that there was a ceremony to name it Archer Park at Wood Field, and cautioned them about renaming it within a month of the announcement.

Council Member Dufault pointed out that there is a difference between discussing and undoing.

City Administrator Wayman said that there were a lot of people there, and it has been done and accepted by a lot of people who would contact the City if they change it again.

Council Member Dufault felt it would be helpful to have those people there to discuss the matter.

City Administrator Wayman commented that Wood field was named Wood Field in June of 1983, and that a lot of alumni who played for Coach Carlon didn't know that was done, assuming that it was Carlon Park, and that the Mayor has been fielding a lot of calls to explain that fact. He added that Resolution 661 from June 1983 showed that done, and if Council wishes to discuss the matter further it could appear to be capricious.

Council Member Dufault asked what would be helpful.

Mayor Raymond felt that the confusion stemmed from naming it Archer Park at Wood Field, and that when she discussed the matter with Mr. Vick he understood the background with the Carlons and didn't want to make the Carlon family feel like they were put out. She thought that the Archer family would also feel that way, and suggested making it Archer-Wood field at Carlon Park.

Council Member Dufault asked Council Member Tierney what he would like.

Council Member Tierney felt it would provide the right message as part of the complex of Carlon Park.

Council Member Dufault asked if that would undermine what was unveiled.

Council Member Carlson felt they would be opening Pandora's box if they bring it back again.

Council Member Underwood asked about doing a newspaper article.

Council Member Carlson suggested that they just move forward.


Council Member Dufault withdrew his motion.

P. Executive Session **None**

Q. Adjournment

Council Member Carlson moved, and Council Member Underwood seconded, that the meeting be adjourned. By voice vote, approval was unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 8:17pm.



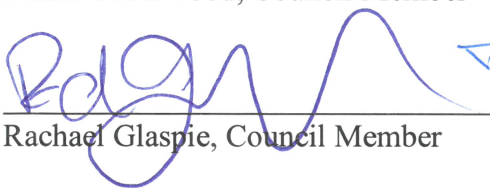
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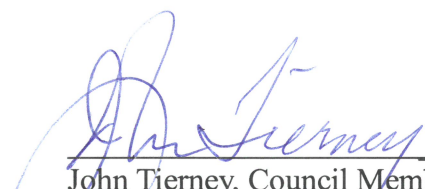
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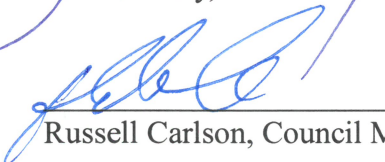
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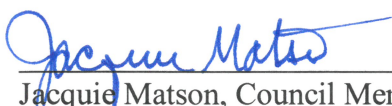
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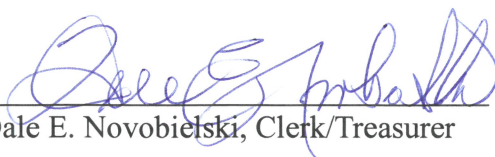
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